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Title:        SECURE FRANKING MACHINE

**COMMUNICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This communication is submitted in response to the October 17, 2008 Office Action ("Office Action"). A response is due January 17, 2009 or the next day that is not a Saturday, Sunday or federal holiday in Washington, D.C. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Entry of the following amendment and consideration of the enclosed remarks are respectfully requested. The following sections are enclosed:

1. Remarks.